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LOS ANGELES

Announcement of awards of fellowships for research in heart disease to two Los Angeles physicians was made recently by the Life Insurance Medical Research Fund. One of the fellowships went to **Dr. John Leyden Webb**, who will conduct a research project at the University of Zurich, Switzerland, and the other to **Dr. Howard Goodman** for work to be carried out at Cedars of Lebanon Hospital under the supervision of Dr. Thomas Addis and Dr. Jessie Marmorston. Awards from the fund, which is contributed to by life insurance companies of the United States and Canada, will total \$680,000 this year for support of research in heart disease.

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A \$7,200 grant for research at the University of California at Los Angeles school of medicine has been awarded by the American Cancer Society to **Dr. Abraham White**, chairman of the department of physiological chemistry, according to a recent announcement by Dr. Stafford Warren, dean of the medical school.

Dr. White's research will be concerned with the biochemistry of the lymphocyte. Much of this study will be devoted to the determination of the nature, quantity and functions of the various constituents of normal and malignant lymphocytes, as an approach to an understanding of one type of leukemia.

SAN FRANCISCO

A number of faculty changes have been announced by the Stanford University School of Medicine. On September 1, 1949, the following professors will retire from their active teaching duties with the title emeritus: Dr. George D. Barnett, professor of medicine; Dr. Charles H. Danforth, professor and executive of the department of anatomy; Dr. James R. Dillon, clinical professor and chief of the division of urology; Dr. Harold K. Faber, professor and executive of the department of pediatrics; Dr. Frank W. Weymouth, professor and executive of the department of physiology.

Dr. Charles E. Smith, professor and executive of the department of public health and preventive medicine, has resigned from the faculty of Stanford Medical School effective September 1, 1949. Dr. Smith has accepted an appointment in the Graduate School of Public Health at the University of California in Berkeley.

The following new appointments and promotions were announced:

Dr. John A. Anderson as professor and executive of the department of pediatrics. Dr. Anderson has been professor of pediatrics and executive of that department at the University of Utah for the past five years.

Dr. Henry Weyrauch, clinical professor and chief of the division of urology. Dr. Weyrauch has been a member of the faculty of the University of California School of Medicine since 1937.

Dr. J. K. Lewis has been promoted to professor of medicine and will succeed Dr. George D. Barnett on the Stanford service at the San Francisco Hospital.

Dr. William W. Greulich will succeed Dr. Charles H. Danforth as executive of the department of anatomy.

Dr. Rodney R. Beard has been promoted to professor of public health and preventive medicine and will succeed Dr. Charles E. Smith as executive of that department.

Dr. Jefferson Crismon, associate professor of physiology, has been appointed acting executive of the department of physiology.

In addition to department heads and division chiefs, several other appointments have been made, effective September 1, 1949:

Dr. Robert H. Alway as associate professor of pediatrics. Dr. Alway has been a member of the faculty of the University of Utah School of Medicine for the past four years.

Dr. Lyman M. Stowe, now at Yale School of Medicine, as assistant professor of obstetrics and gynecology.

Dr. George W. Henry as instructor in radiology.

The following promotions become effective September 1, 1949:

Dr. Hadley Kirkman and Dr. Donald James Gray have each been promoted to professor of anatomy, and Dr. Robert S. Turner to associate professor of anatomy.

Dr. Donald E. King has been promoted to professor of surgery (bone and joint surgery).

Dr. Robert H. Dreisbach has been promoted to associate professor of pharmacology.

Dr. Robert S. Evans has been promoted to associate professor of medicine in charge of clinical pathology.

SAN MATEO

Dr. Carl L. Hoag of San Mateo was reelected president of the San Mateo County Blood Bank at the annual meeting of that organization held late in April. U. S. Simonds, Jr., mayor of Burlingame, was reelected vice-president, and Mrs. P. J. Hanzlik secretary-treasurer. Dr. Hoag reported at the meeting that more blood was drawn and processed during the past year than in any other year since the bank has been in operation, including the war years. A total of 1,906 donors gave 3,633 pints of blood during the 12-month period, Dr. Hoag said.

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Dr. James M. Bodie, who for the past three years has been a member of the resident staff at the San Mateo County Hospital, has been appointed assistant medical superintendent of Canyon Sanatorium by Dr. Harold D. Chope, county health director.

SHASTA

Dr. Thomas D. Wyatt recently was named Shasta County physician and health officer and supervisor of the county hospital for a period of one year under an oral agreement with the county board of supervisors. He takes the place of Dr. B. F. Saylor. The board of supervisors by a 3 to 2 vote rejected a plan offered by the Shasta County Medical Society under which society members would rotate in treating patients at the county hospital under a county resident physician approved by the society.

SOLANO

Dr. Richard Golton, formerly of Berkeley, last month was appointed medical director of the Solano County Hospital at Fairfield to take the place of Dr. J. N. Clark. At the time the county board of supervisors named Dr. Francis DeBon, also of Berkeley, assistant medical director.

GENERAL

Plans to ask Army reserve medical officers to volunteer for short periods of duty each month at stations near their homes were announced last month by Major General Raymond W. Bliss as part of a program to relieve a medical staff shortage. General Bliss said that 14,300 physicians and 5,548 dentists on reserve status would be asked to serve for one to 29 days a month.

Meanwhile, Secretary of Defense Louis Johnson, who said that California has been assigned a quota of 305 physicians and dentists in the campaign to augment the armed services staff, reiterated an appeal to those who were given deferment from wartime service to complete their education, as well as those who received all or part of their education under government auspices, to volunteer now for active duty. Johnson said that many of the professional men in this category who have not served in the armed forces have replied negatively to a previous appeal.

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The American Congress of Physical Medicine will hold its 27th annual scientific and clinical session September 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10, 1949 inclusive, at the Netherlands Plaza Hotel, Cincinnati. All sessions will be open to members of the medical profession in good standing with the American Medical Association. Full information may be obtained by writing to the American Congress of Physical Medicine, 30 North Michigan Avenue, Chicago 2, Illinois.

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Public health officers to serve in civilian capacity with the occupation forces in Japan are urgently needed, according to announcement by the Department of the Army. Mini-

mum qualification requirements are a degree in medicine plus one year of internship. Experience in public health work is not mandatory. Salary for the positions is \$6,235.20 a year plus 10 per cent post differential with quarters provided at no extra cost to the employee. Appointees must agree to remain in Japan at least two years, but dependents may join the employee in about six to eight months after his arrival in the command, the announcement said.

Further information may be obtained from the Department of the Army, Overseas Affairs Branch, Civilian Personnel Division, Washington 25, D. C.

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Bringing to 13 the total number of hospital construction projects approved for funds available during the present fiscal year under terms of the Hospital Survey and Construction Act, the Hospital Advisory Council of the California Department of Public Health has given approval to four new district hospital proposals: Merced County Hospital; West View Hospital (Los Angeles); Marin County Hospital District; Biggs-Gridley Memorial Hospital (Gridley).

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Dr. Walter T. Harrison, who for the past seven years has been director of the U. S. Public Health Service for the West Coast area, with headquarters in San Francisco, will retire July 1, 1949. Dr. Harrison, who entered the U.S.P.H.S. in 1916, now is on terminal leave and **Dr. Henry C. Schumacher** is serving as acting health director for the area until a successor is appointed.

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The board of trustees of the National Physicians Committee for the Extension of Medical Service, formed ten years ago to function in fields in which the American Medical Association did not then operate, recently issued formal announcement that it ceased all activities as of April 1, 1949, and would dissolve the organization. This action was taken, the announcement said, in view of the fact that the A.M.A. has set up an agency of its own to carry on public relations activities and to further the extension of medical care.

